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AMENDMENT

SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2003, setting a shortened statutory period for response expiring on December 18, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.